

## IEEP Stipend Processing

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## Dates to Remember

- **Applications are due:**  
By mail – 10/23/08  
Walk-in – 10/30/08
- **Disqualification letters are mailed to applicants – 1/8/09**
- **Written appeals are due to the Office of Child Care – 1/22/09**
- **Verification forms are mailed to applicants – 1/22/09**
- **Verification materials are due to Office of Child Care:**  
By mail – March 5, 2009  
Walk in – March 12, 2009
- **Notice of disqualified verification materials are mailed to applicants – 5/4/09**
- **Written appeals are due to the Office of Child Care – 5/18/09**
- **Stipend checks are mailed – July/August 2009**

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**General Information**  
(213) 974-4103

**Business Hours:**  
8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.  
Monday through Friday

# INVESTING IN EARLY EDUCATORS STIPEND PROGRAM



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## Applications for Investing in Early Educators Stipend Program

**Applications due in October 2008!!**

The Office of Child Care is pleased to report that the Investing in Early Educators Stipend Program (Stipend Program) is alive and Cycle 10 is underway. We would appreciate your help in promoting the program with potential participants. Persons working directly with children in California Department of Education (CDE)-contracted child development centers and Family Child Care Home Education Networks, and who complete at least one three-semester unit course related to child development or leading to a degree in child development, are encouraged to apply. In addition, persons working directly with children in child development centers and family child care homes where a majority of the children are receiving CDE child care subsidies are also eligible to participate. Successful applicants will be awarded a cash stipend. While stipend amounts have varied over the years depending on the number of applicants and the funds available, stipends have averaged \$1,200 to persons completing at least three units and \$2,400 to persons completing six or more units.

Applications and instructions are available on the Office of Child Care Web site at [www.childcare.lacounty.gov](http://www.childcare.lacounty.gov). Click on Investing in Early Educators, then Stipend Program.

**Completed applications for Cycle 10 must be received by the Office of Child Care either by mail, postmarked by October 23, 2008, or delivered in person to the Office of Child Care by 5:00 p.m. on October 30, 2008.**

## Child Development Permits

All applicants will be required to submit a copy of their valid Child Development Permit from the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) with their Verification materials. These materials, including proof of completed

coursework and ongoing employment in an eligible program, will be due in early March 2009. Please note - it can take approximately five months for a new permit application to be fully processed. If an applicant will need classes from the fall 2008 semester to qualify for a permit, the odds are against them receiving a permit in time for this Cycle. However, they should still apply for their permits to ensure that they can qualify for a stipend in Cycle 11.

Information on Child Development Permit applications and renewals is available at [www.ctc.ca.gov](http://www.ctc.ca.gov). Permit renewals can be submitted on-line and take about two weeks to process. There are fees associated with the permit processes and the Child Development Training Consortium (CDTC) at [www.childdevelopment.org](http://www.childdevelopment.org) may be able to assist applicants with these expenses. Help is also available at local community colleges:

- East Los Angeles College – Donna Garcia at (323) 265-8963
- Southwest College – Ron Haynes at (323) 241-5477
- Los Angeles Mission College – Los Angeles Mission College does not process permits, but the Child Development Faculty, including Janice Silver at (818) 364-7714, Julie Ruelas at (818) 364-7670, and Lil De Silva at (818) 364-7673 will be happy to assist applicants and forward successful applications to the CDTC.
- Los Angeles Trade Tech College – Cecilia Vega at (213) 763-3986
- Los Angeles City College – Kathleen Bimber at (323) 953-4000, ext. 2290
- Citrus College – Shelly Hahn at (626) 914-8876
- El Camino College – Janet Young at (310) 660-3613 or Jennifer Montgomery at (310) 660-3570
- El Camino College Compton Center – Shirley Edwards at (310) 900-1600, ext. 2900
- Santa Monica College – Laura Manson-Weingarten at (310) 434-3530

*(See Stipend Program on next page)*

*(Stipend Program continued)*

### Applicable Courses

The Stipend Program is designed to strengthen the early care and education workforce in Los Angeles County by retaining qualified teaching staff and raising their educational levels. With these goals in mind, courses in Child Development or general education courses required to earn a degree in Child Development, Early Childhood Education, Early Special Education, or Child Psychology are

eligible for a stipend. Courses in unrelated content areas such as real estate are not eligible. Only applicants with a Bachelor degree or higher may earn a stipend for unit-bearing extension or continuing education coursework. All applicants must receive a grade of C or better in an approved course to qualify for a stipend.

Potential applicants uncertain about the courses that will qualify for a stipend may call Renatta Cooper at (213) 974-4453.

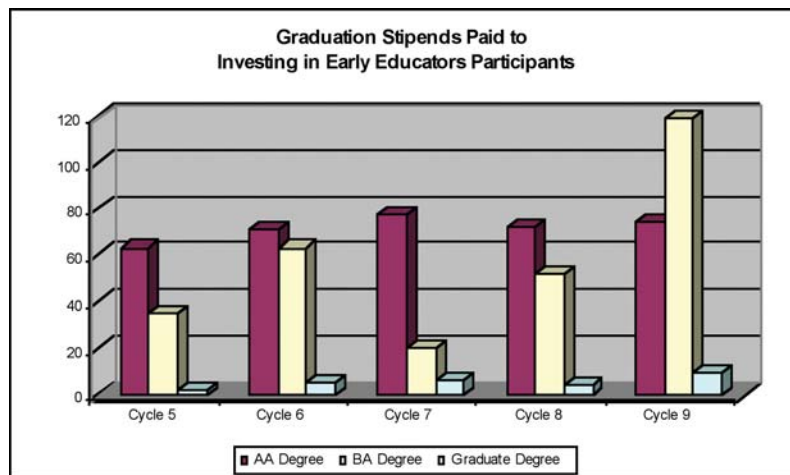
## At A Glance

### Top Five Community Colleges Attended by Cycle 9 Participants:

1. Southwest College
2. El Camino College and El Camino College Compton Center
3. Los Angeles Mission College
4. East Los Angeles and Los Angeles City Colleges

### Top Five Colleges and Universities Attended by Cycle 9 Participants:

1. University of La Verne
2. National University
3. Azusa Pacific University
4. Pacific Oaks College and National University
5. California State University, Los Angeles



## Do you work in a Los Angeles Universal Preschool Classroom?

If your program or your classroom is funded by Los Angeles Universal Preschool (LAUP), you may be eligible to participate in the LAUP Professional Growth Stipend Program. Please contact Tara Henriquez at LAUP for more information. Tara can be reached by email at [thenriquez@laup.net](mailto:thenriquez@laup.net) or by telephone at 213.416.1933.

Regular Program Updates can be found at [www.childcare.lacounty.gov](http://www.childcare.lacounty.gov)